RESOLUTION NO. R-2010-1429

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A DATA SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, ARIZONA STRIP DISTRICT, AND COOPERATING AGENCIES, ONE OF WHICH IS WASHINGTON COUNTY, WHICH ARE IDENTIFIED AS "COOPERATING AGENCIES" IN SEPARATE EXECUTED MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING WITH EACH PARTICIPANT

WHEREAS, Washington County ("County") has previously entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Arizona Strip District Office (collectively referred to as "BLM"); and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2009, the Secretary of the Interior proposed to withdraw public lands and National Forest System lands in Northern Arizona for up to twenty (20) years from location and entry under the Mining Law of 1872 ("Northern Arizona Proposed Withdrawal); and

WHEREAS, the County and the BLM are collaborating on the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement ("EIS") for the Proposed Northern Arizona Withdrawal, which is being prepared by the BLM as the lead agency with the assistance of Cooperating Agencies, one of which is the County; and

WHEREAS, the BLM and the County have negotiated a Data Sharing Agreement ("Agreement") for the purpose of sharing data, studies, reports and working drafts needed to prepare the EIS for the Proposed Northern Arizona Withdrawal; to promote coordination and collaboration by allowing mutual access to information for review by the various Parties; to reduce duplication, incompatibility, and inefficiencies related to collection and use of geographic and geospatial information; and to facilitate in the preparation of the EIS pursuant to the terms set forth therein, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of Washington County that the County execute the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, at a regular meeting of the legislative body of Washington County, Utah, duly called, noticed, and held on the 16th day of March 2010, upon motion duly made and seconded, it is unanimously:

Resolved that the Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", is hereby approved and adopted. A copy of the Agreement is on file in the Office of the Washington County Commission.

VOTED UPON AND PASSED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION HELD ON THE $16^{\rm TH}$ DAY OF MARCH 2010.

	WASHINGTON COUNTY
	JAMES J. EARDLEY, Chair Washington County Commission
ATTEST:	
Kim M. Hafen Washington County Clerk-Auditor	
	Commissioner Eardley voted Commissioner Gardner voted Commissioner Drake voted